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Arts Council Minutes 05-16-2002

Arlington Arts Council

Minutes of May 16, 2002 -- Robbins Library Conference Room

Present: Christine Alaimo, Diane Connor, Shari Craig, Elinore Kagan, Suzanne McLeod, David Silverman, Cheryl Hemenway, Robert Zinck

Absent: Mary Babic, Amy Peters, Carol Mahoney (non-voting member)

David Silverman called the meeting to order at 7:47 pm.

Item One -- Minutes from April

David Silverman moved to approve minutes from April 4, 2002. Diane Connor seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Item Two -- Requests for Payments

Reimbursements for 5/2 Community Input meeting: 25.00 to Shari Craig for printing, 67.82 to Suzanne McLeod for food, and 39.99 to Diane Connor for food. Elinore Kagan moved that payment be approved, David Silverman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Elinore Kagan moved that we approve final payment of \$1000.00 for grant #2001-15 to Maryellen Bradley-Gilbert for The Healing Art of Quilts exhibit. David Silverman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Elinore Kagan moved that we approve final payment of \$650.00 for grant #2001-22 to the Cyrus Dallin Museum. Suzanne McLeod seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Elinore Kagan moved that we approve a progress (partial) payment of \$2500.00 for grant #2002-1 to Pasquale Tassone for Lumen Contemporary Music. David Silverman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Elinore Kagan moved that we approve final payment of \$325.00 for grant #2002-13 to the Brackett School PTO for Chariot of the Sun. David Silverman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Elinore Kagan moved that we approve final payment of \$1300.00 for grant #2002-28 to Adria Arch for the Shape Shifting exhibit. David Silverman seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Item Three -- Update on Members' Status

People who attended the Community input meeting who expressed interest in the AAC have been contacted; they will be sent minutes and agendas for upcoming meetings.

Suzanne McLeod moved to grant Christine Alaimo a leave of absence from the Council for 3 months. Shari Craig seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Shari Craig will contact member Mary Babic to find out if she also wants to become an Associate Member.

Item Four -- Community Input Meeting debriefing.

David Silverman reviewed the CI meeting format, and handed out a report compiling the results of each small

group discussion. Further discussion about the CI meeting and the topics covered. We will discuss how to reflect these in the grant guidelines when we have Karin Tractenberg (representative from the Massachusetts Cultural Council) at our June meeting.

Item Five -- Town Day

Discussed purpose of AAC presence at Town Day, and possible AAC projects, including the possibility of sponsoring a community sidewalk chalk art project. Cheryl Hemenway will inquire about getting sidewalk or parking lot space.

Item Six -- Update on MCC meeting

David Silverman reported about the MCC meeting he attended. It had two parts: a basic orientation, and then information about some of the larger LLC's in the area, including Cambridge, Somerville, Brookline. These councils have paid staff members, and several use community members as jurors on panels when deciding on grant recipients. We discussed these possibilities for Arlington.

Item Seven -- tabled

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 by David Silverman.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne McLeod, *Recording Secretary (while Chrisitne Alaimo is on leave of absence)*